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## DE WOLF HOPPER AND THE SHRINERS

Gala Night at Theatre Has Jolly Climax at Stratfield

Last night was a great night for the Shriners. Incidentally it was a great night for many who are not Shriners but who are here to the fact that there is always something doing when the boys with the red fezzes are stirring. The one big spot of the local horizon from sun down yesterday to sun rise this day was the inimitable De Wolfe Hopper who with his merry company gave a splendid performance of Hopper's latest big hit, "The Pied Piper."

The play was good, Hopper himself was excellent and the chorus and supporting members of the troupe were all to the merry. Hopper's versatility never appeared to a finer advantage than it did last evening.

In addition to his incomparable impersonation of the role of the piper, partly "pie-eyed" for a spell, he recited between the first and second act that famous classic of his, entitled "Casey at the Bat." It is needless to say that who heard it from his lips before listened again with marked attention while those of the growing-up who never heard it as Hopper only can give it were almost beside themselves with delight.

During the play Hopper and some of his leading supporters convulsed the house by apt allusions to such well known Pyramids as Charley Davis, Fred Bartlett, Lou Bristol, Will Burnham, Sid Hawley, "Doc" Sumner, Swan Brewster and Jim Porter, the latter of Danbury. After the show the Shriners and their friends repaired to the Stratfield where they had arranged to occupy all of the available dining space. Hopper came along, too, and he became the cynosure of all eyes. There was a hot old time in the old town and the ladies certainly enjoyed being present. Snatches of popular ballads were sung and sung some more. Hopper ate his fill and that means that he ate some. The big comedian was in excellent parts and he seemed glad to meet all who were brought over to where he sat. Loren Delbridge, J. J. Fisher, Will Tomlinson led the chorists to say nothing of Harry Miller and his band with his newly varnished aquamobile voice. There was good music and plenty of open handed hospitality shown. Altogether the occasion was one of which the jolly Shriners need Smith's was one of the largest the theatre ever held.

**DIED**

**SCANLON**—In this city, Feb. 23, 1909, John Scanlon.

—Friends are invited to attend the funeral from his late residence, No. 446 Grand street on Friday, Feb. 26, at 9:30 a. m. and from St. Patrick's church at 9 a. m. with solemn high mass.

—Interment at St. Augustine's cemetery, B 24 b.

**BULL**—In So. Woodbury, Feb. 21, Mrs. David Bull.

**NETTLETON**—In Woodbury, Feb. 20, Mrs. Charles Nettleton.

**KENNEY**—In Westport, Feb. 21, May, widow of Edward Kenney, aged 67 years.

**KEARNEY**—In Norwalk, Feb. 20, Miss Ann Kearney.

**CONNOR**—In Wilton, Feb. 21, Miss Eunice E. Connor, aged 53 years.

**HOYT**—In Norwalk, Feb. 13, Miss Sara M. Hoyt, aged 14 years.

**KARNEY**—In Norwalk, Feb. 20, Miss Ann Karney.

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## CAPT. JOTHAM O'BRIEN'S WILL

ALL TO KIN

Estate Is Valued at About \$75,000.

The will of the late Capt. Jotham O'Brien, the retired shipbuilder, was admitted to probate today. He leaves an estate believed to be worth in the neighborhood of \$75,000. His widow, Lydia O'Brien, was granted an allowance of \$100 per month pending the settlement of an ante-nuptial agreement made for her benefit. No allowance is made in the will for the widow because of the agreement dated March 6, 1901.

The testator bequeaths to Eudora Macleod, his daughter, a piano, household goods and \$100 cash. To son, George O'Brien, of Calgary, Canada, his safe, watch, diamond pin and ring and other personal effects and \$100. To his daughter, Emma J. Newman of this city, and Martha Lockhart of Boston, Mass., \$100 each.

The use and income of \$10,000 is given to daughter, Martha Lockhart, and at her death \$5,000 to be divided equally between the other three children or their survivors.

The income of the remaining \$5,000 he bequeaths to his granddaughter, Eunice Lockhart until she shall become 25 years of age when she is to receive the principal. In case of the death of the granddaughter before she reaches the age of 25 the money is to be divided between the three children. He left \$5,000 to be used for his education.

The use and income of \$12,000 is given to daughter, Eudora for the period of her natural life. At her death the income of \$5,000 is to be paid to her daughter, Mildred Macleod until 25 years of age when the amount is to be paid over to her. The remaining \$7,000 is left in equal shares to his three children. The share of daughter, Mildred Macleod, is to be paid to her. Upon her death the principal is to be paid to the two surviving children.

The real and personal estate bequeathed to his children in equal shares to William H. Kelsey and Eudora Macleod are named as executors with full power to sell real estate. The appraisers are Christian M. Newman and Allen O'Brien.

## NO DESERTION FROM HATTERS

Story that Union Workmen Have Weakened Denied by Officers.

(Special from United Press.) Bethel, Conn., Feb. 24.—The announcement emanating from South Norwalk that two of the hatters working in the shops of Croft & Knapp Company are residents of Bethel and members of the union in that town, is vigorously denied by the local officers. They state that there has not been a desertion from their ranks.

The strike is now entering on its sixth week and the business men of this town and Danbury are greatly worried over the condition of affairs. No relief, however, is in sight at present and both sides are as confident and as obstinate as ever.

## TRAINED NURSE IS FOUND DEAD

(Special from United Press.) Rutland, Vt., Feb. 24.—Miss Margaret Edmunds, a trained nurse, aged 35, whose home is at Smiths Falls, was found dead in her room at the Hotel Rutland here this morning. An autopsy will be held to determine the cause of death.

## GARBAGE REDUCTION COMPANY ANXIOUS TO LEAVE CITY

The Board of Health within the past few weeks has received a number of complaints against stench nuisances coming from the By-Products Co. in Asylum street and the health board has taken the matter up quietly with the company. The company has informed the members of the board that it is trying to get consent from the legislature to move out of town. The \$500 appropriation by the city board yesterday was for the purpose of bearing the additional expense the city would be put to if the company did move.

Intimated in some quarters that the company is contemplating forfeiting its \$10,000 bond and moving if legislative consent is not gained to transport garbage from one town to another, President Livingston was out of town to-day as was Attorney Arthur Marsh, counsel for the company so the attitude of the company could not be learned.

## Resolution Naming Wheeler Passes Senate

Hartford, Feb. 24.—The resolution reappointing Judge George W. Wheeler to the Superior court of Waterbury, passed the Senate this morning and went to the House.



By courtesy of Journal & Courier of New Haven  
View of Wrecked Steamer John H. Starin, Looking Forward from the Rear of the Vessel's Stern

## DOCTOR ARRESTED ON CORONER'S ORDER FOR MANSLAUGHTER

A Riot in Bonz Home When Attempt is Made to Remove Dead Child's Body for Autopsy.

(Special from United Press.) Waterbury, Feb. 24.—A small riot took place here to-day when the authorities attempted to remove the body of the five months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Bonz, Lithuanians, from the latter's home in order to perform an autopsy. The child died yesterday and after an investigation Dr. Giovanna Iosa, who attended the infant, was placed under arrest on a warrant issued by the coroner who charged him with manslaughter.

To-day Medical Examiner Dr. A. Crane ordered an undertaker to remove the body. When the undertaker called at the Bonz home the parents refused to allow him to take the body. He summoned the police but when they arrived on the scene the house was filled with Lithuanian women, a hand to hand struggle followed and in the melee the body of the child rolled from the casket onto the floor. The women assailed the police with cooking utensils and all sorts of household furniture and finally the police and the body removed to the coroner's office.

The doctor who is held for the child's death it is claimed, prescribed overdoses of medicine and it is also alleged that he is practicing without a state license.

Dr. Iosa, who has been here about one month, it is claimed, was called to the Bonz home last Sunday. The child was suffering with pneumonia, but instead of improving, its condition grew steadily worse and finally the parents summoned Dr. J. J. Gally and E. A. Goodenough. Their efforts were unavailing and the child died yesterday. The case was reported to Medical Examiner Crane and after an investigation the coroner issued the warrant for Iosa's arrest.

## BOY KNOCKED DOWN BY TROLLEY CAR

Harold Loomis Was Too Busy Gathering Earth Worms to Get Out of the Way and Was Hit.

Harold Loomis, 11 years old, son of John W. Loomis of 21 Brooks street, was struck by a north bound trolley car at the corner of Arctic street and Noble avenue this noon. The boy was knocked down and received cuts about the head but is not dangerously injured. With several other boys he was going home from the Barnum school just after the morning session of the school had closed. They were picking up earthworms which had been driven from the ground by the rain. Either he failed to see the car or did not hear the warnings of his comrades for he made no move to get off the track until struck by the car. He was taken to his home in Osborne's grocery wagon after he had been resuscitated at Benze's drug store close by.

## Deaths and Funerals.

The funeral of William C. Fletcher, who died suddenly at his home, 740 Transtian avenue, Sunday, of indigestion, was held this afternoon from his late residence at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. Geo. W. Nicholson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. The remains were taken to Plantsville for burial.

## Rastus Johnson Is Arrested for Non-Support

Winsted, Feb. 24.—Erastus S. Johnson, a well known citizen of Norfolk and at present engaged in the automobile business in Winsted, was arrested to-day on a bench warrant and charged with non-support. He was held by Judge Curtis in the superior court under \$700 bail.

## Johnson Seeks Death By Razor Route

Meriden, Feb. 24.—Otto Johnson, a Swede, aged 40, employed at Factory E. International Silver Company, attempted suicide to-day by cutting his throat with a razor. Employees of the shop found the man with a razor in his hand and still bleeding. He was hurried to the hospital and may live. Despondency is believed to be the cause of his act.

## MRS. HILL WILL NOT BE MOVED

Rooms for Driver Burlington of the Ambulance Will Probably Be Provided in Another Part of Charities Building.

Mayor Lee has promised to call a meeting of the committee in charge of the Police and Charities' building as soon as possible which will probably be in a few days. At this meeting the matter of assigning the rooms now occupied by Mrs. Hill, matron of the police department, to the chauffeur of the auto-ambulance will come up. The board of charities need the rooms for the chauffeur and his family so that he can be on duty 24 hours a day. President Hill of the police department, who is also a member of the committee will oppose the plan to oust Mrs. Hill.

Mrs. Hill is non-committal in the matter but his conversation this morning indicated that he would not break the tie in the committee if one should occur, in favor of the charities department. He said that the remaining portion of the police drill hall will be cut up into rooms for him.

Estimates of the cost of preparing the rooms for occupancy have been asked for.

## CITY AND COMPANY TO CONFER FRIDAY ON GROOVED RAILS

City Clerk Buckingham received a communication from the Connecticut Co. today to the effect that Vice President Calvert Townley and Supt. C. H. Chapman would meet with the committee on Streets and Sidewalks Friday night for the purpose of discussing the laying of grooved rails on streets where permanent pavement is to be laid this spring. The members of the committee have found that only these grooved rails, which are being laid by the company instead of appealing to the commission.

## "MISSIONS" THE TOPIC AT NORTH CHURCH MEETING

There was a large attendance of delegates at the missionary conference at the North church, which opened this morning. Some of the ablest men in the Congregational church were heard at the three meetings which will be held.

The meeting this evening is more of a social function. The morning sessions was for delegates only. The public was admitted to the afternoon sessions. The meeting is one of 200 which will be held in leading centers of the city for the purpose of raising \$50,000.

Somewhat more than half of this sum will be used to clear the missionary societies connected with the Congregational church of debt. The balance will be divided among the missions on a per centage apportionment plan, which has been agreed upon. These societies number seven, which have functions of varying degrees of importance within the church.

At the North Church the Congregational "Together Campaign" held its opening meeting this morning. It took the form of a conference. It was not the purpose to produce a pessimistic effect. But it did aim to lay bare the facts and conditions now existing in the Congregational missionary world.

Dr. Charles C. Creagan, the district secretary of the American board, whose center is New York, spoke on the danger of the retrenchment policy in missions. Work in China and Spain that ought to be done by the Congregationalists because of scarcity of funds has had to be turned over to other denominations. The Congregational church now has 100 stations to provide for. If each member would average in his missionary efforts \$1.00 a year, the church could support all its stations and have one half cent per week all the money desired for the Apportionment Plan would be obtained.

Rev. James S. Cross of the A. M. A., who has done work among the Indians of the West and the Eskimos of Alaska told of the financial needs for sustaining these missions. He specifically emphasized the good that is being accomplished among the people in the far North.

Mr. Wm. E. Lougee is the able associate secretary of the C. H. M. S. As a member of the Finance committee of the "Together Campaign" he presented the financial problems that the several societies are confronting. Magnificent opportunities are slipping past simply because the boards lack the necessary money.

Methods of raising funds in the local church was then taken up. Each of the pastors was called on to tell of the methods used in his church. At the afternoon and evening sessions the brighter side of the picture will be presented. The splendid work that has been and is being done will be told of by men who are chief laborers in it.

## TWO MEN DIE FOR SAME CRIME

State Averages Murder Committed In New Haven.

Both Refused Chance To Escape Gallows

Dislocation of the Neck in Both Cases—Story of the Crime.

For the first time in the history of this state two men were hanged for one crime on the same night at the state prison at Wethersfield. The execution took place between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock this morning.

The men who paid the extreme penalty were Giuseppe Campagnolo and Raffaele Carfaro, both of New Haven, who on the night of August 15 last, killed George D. Sheehan in New Haven.

Not a single mishapening occurred from the time the small party of newspaper men and reporters left the warden's office at 12 o'clock until the last man, Carfaro, was declared to be dead at 12:46 o'clock.

Giuseppe Campagnolo was the first man to be brought into the death chamber. He was accompanied by Rev. J. J. McLaughlin of St. Anthony's Italian Church. The death party entered the chamber at 12:03:30 and the trap sprung at 12:04:10. The first examination was made at 12:05 and at 12:07 he was pronounced dead. The body was taken down at 12:25.

Carfaro, accompanied by Rev. Father Oliver Magneil and Rev. Father J. J. McLaughlin, was brought into the chamber at 12:31. At 12:31:20 the straps were adjusted and the trap sprung. The straps were moved at 12:40 and at 12:46 he was pronounced dead and taken down.

In both cases the dislocation of the neck was complete and in the opinion of the doctors present neither suffered from the moment the trap was sprung. When the bodies were taken down they were put in coffins.

Campagnolo and Carfaro were both resigned to their fate. For the past few days both have realized that there was no hope for them. Campagnolo at first was remorseful, believing that he was to be hanged alone, but when told that Carfaro was to be hanged also, appeared to brighten somewhat. Neither had any visitors yesterday, the last visit paid to them being when Carfaro's parents visited them the latter part of last week.

The two executions this morning brings the total number of hangings at Wethersfield since the first, on December 18, 1884, to twenty. Deputy Warden George E. Blaisdell has adjusted the noose about the necks of all who have thus far paid the extreme penalty.

Campagnolo and Carfaro were tried and convicted at the October term of the criminal Superior court at New Haven for the deliberate murder of George D. Sheehan, a well known and popular young man who lived with and was employed by John F. Dunn, a Montwese milk dealer.

The victim was engaged to be married to Miss Bessie Lewis, who lives on Daggett street in New Haven. On the night of August 15 she called at the Dunn home in Montwese to see Sheehan and also to visit with the Duns, with whom she was on the best of terms. Late in the evening she left accompanied by Sheehan, who was to wait for her at the home line. As they were passing the Dunn home, the two Italians sprang at them. Sheehan carried a blackjack, it was claimed at the trial, and tried to defend himself with this. He was pitted against Carfaro, who had a shotgun, while Miss Lewis was attacked by Campagnolo, who carried a pitchfork. Miss Lewis was not injured after she shot at the two Italians, broke away and started to run. As he did so he was shot in the back and died in the roadway before help could be summoned.

Both men might have escaped death on the gallows. At the time of their trial it was reported that the State's Attorney offered them an opportunity to plead guilty to second degree murder and accept a term of life imprisonment. This they refused.

## ONE LIFE LOST IN SUMMER HOME FIRE

Residence of T. W. Pierce Burned at Topsfield, Mass.—Cook Perished in Flames.

(Special from United Press.) Salem, Mass., Feb. 24.—News was received here to-day from Topsfield, Mass., that one life was lost in a fire which destroyed the summer residence of T. W. Pierce, a millionaire society man of this city in Topsfield, last night. Mr. Pierce's five year old son was rescued with difficulty. Mrs. Eva Wood, for many years employed by the family as cook, was burned to death.

The loss is estimated at about \$12,000. Mr. Pierce is at present in New York, but has been informed of the fire and is now on his way to this city. The only member of the family at the house was the little boy who was in care of a nurse. The coachman saw the house in flames and running into the house assisted the nurse to leave with the boy. The coachman was considerably burned about the face and hands in his efforts. Mrs. Wood the cook, was asleep in her room on the top floor and as the stairways were ablaze, it was impossible to rescue her.

## MANIAC TAKEN TO MIDDLETOWN

Alex. Morrissey, investigator of the Charities department, yesterday transferred John Hallan from Lakeview Home to the insane asylum at Middletown. Hallan is a big man, six feet in height and weighs over 200 pounds. He is 33 years of age and came to this city from San Francisco a year ago. He is violent at times and yesterday was one of those times. He made it interesting for Mr. Morrissey several times in the way. Hallan is suffering from hallucinations. He believes that he is being pursued by his enemies, who are hounding him to death.

## STRONG COMMITTEE FOR UTILITIES BILL

The Bridgeport Business Men's Association will send a strong delegation to Hartford, Tuesday, to argue in favor of the passage of the Public Utilities Bill, which has a hearing before the committee on judiciary at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. A general invitation is extended to all who desire to accompany the committee. Friday afternoon the Board of Directors of the association will hear the report of its committee appointed to consider the public utility bill.

## HOWLAND'S

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In addition, they are in colors that will match or harmonize with the rich tones of the spring dress woollens.

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Brown, blue, green, London smoke, and black.

Finished with soles of just-right weight.

Trim and satisfying. \$3.50.

Suede-top shoes with vamps of patent leather. On button lasts and full of distinctive grace. Blue tan wine or black top. \$3 and \$4.

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Brown cottons, yard wide, worth 6c to 10c yd.—5c to 8c.

Pillow-case cotton, brown, 45-inch, worth 12½c yd.—10c.

Brown sheeting, 9-4 wide, worth 24c yd.—19c.

Welded sheeting, 9-4 wide, worth 19c yd.—17c.

Long cloth, English, nice finish, worth 10c yd.—8c.

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Third floor.

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## TRIED TO KILL BROTHER OF GIRL HE WOULD WED

Judge Pullman Fixed Bail at \$1,000 In Case.

Antonio Carbonne, charged with assault with intent to kill was held for the superior court by Judge Pullman to-day in bail of \$500.